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Update

The Western Shoshone Project Office has begun the quality control review process for the proposed partial payment targeted for February 2011. As of the date of this posting we are on-track to make the partial payment in February 2011.

It is very important that your current address is on file with the Western Shoshone Project Office. Address changes for those individuals who will be participating in the partial payment must be received in the Western Shoshone Project Office no later than January 14, 2011.

In the near future letters will be sent to each eligible adult applicant to ensure that the address of record is correct. If an applicant's letter is returned by the U.S. Postal Service because of an incorrect address, the Western Shoshone Project Office will note the incorrect address and identify the applicant as "whereabouts unknown" in the application file. The per capita payment of those designated as "whereabouts unknown" will be deposited in an Individual Indian Money (IIM) account until such time as a correct address is received from the applicant or sponsor.

The per capita share for eligible living, competent individuals who are 19 years of age or older on the date of the distribution will be paid directly to those individuals either by Treasury check or direct deposit. The per capita share for those legally incompetent or deceased after July 7, 2004, and those who are not yet 19 years of age on the date of the distribution per capita share will be placed in IIM accounts.

Reminder: Address Changes must be in writing to:

Western Shoshone Project Post Office Box 3838 Phoenix, Arizona 85004-3838

Eligible applicants may choose to have their payment sent directly to their personal bank account through direct deposit. If you choose the direct deposit option, please provide a copy of a voided check with your name, address and banking information to the address listed above.

Notice of Administrative Decision by the Regional Director, Western Regional Office on the Western Shoshone Judgment roll preparation

On November 20, 2010, the Western Region mailed out an official notice of the "deadline date" for receiving applications for the Western Shoshone Judgment

Award to those individuals who did not receive notice of the deadline date \underline{by} \underline{mail} . Previous Bureau update notices stated that notice of the deadline date would be received by mail. A group of individuals were not given notice of the deadline date "by mail" and as a result an official notice was sent by mail on November 20, 2010. These individuals have until December 31, 2010 to submit their completed application(s).

Note: This should not affect the proposed partial payment target date of February 2011.

Progress Report: November 30, 2010

Number of applications	9108
Determined Eligible	4023
Determined Ineligible	2201
Application Pending	2576
Appeals Filed	308